



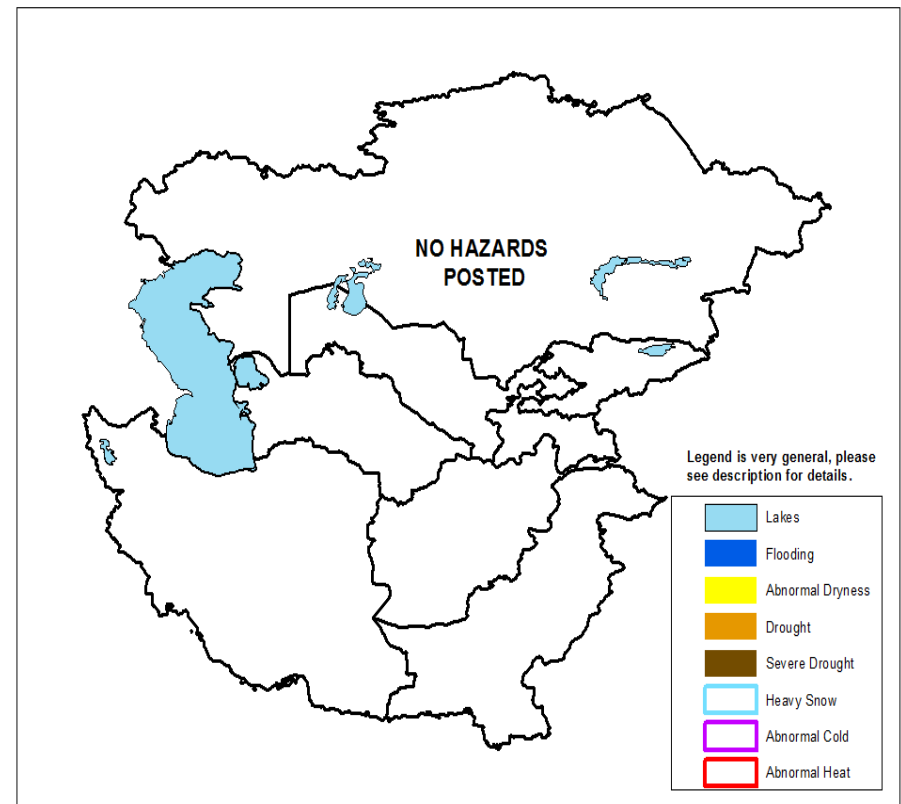
Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook October 17-23, 2013

Temperatures:

Temperatures averaged 1 to 5 degrees C below normal across most of Central Asia from October 6 – 12 with minimum temperatures at or below freezing across northeast Kazakhstan. During the next week, temperatures are forecast to average above normal across the region. Widespread freezing temperatures can be expected across the higher elevations of Afghanistan and Tajikistan along with northeast Kazakhstan.

Precipitation

During the past week, light to moderate rain fell across the northern half of Kazakhstan with the highest totals (around 25 mm) in north-central Kazakhstan. Seasonal dryness prevailed across the remainder of Central Asia. Mostly dry weather is forecast for Central Asia during the upcoming week.



Note: The Hazards outlook map is based on current weather/climate information, short and medium range weather forecasts (up to 1 week), and assesses their potential impact on crop and pasture conditions. Shaded polygons are added in areas where anomalous conditions have been observed. The boundaries of these polygons are only approximate at this continental scale. This product does not reflect long range seasonal climate forecasts or indicate current or projected food security conditions.

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